eligibility to the Freely Associated States (FAS) until 2004. I remind my colleagues that the FAS were formerly the Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands administered by the United States under a United Nations Trusteeship. Our special relationship with the FAS encompasses a wide range, from defense to trade to education. I commend the House and Senate conferees for reaching sufficient agreement to continue extending federal educational programs to FAS students at least until after the renegotiation of the Compacts of Free Association scheduled to begin in the year 2000. The FAS, composed of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Republic of Palau, are vital security allies in the Pacific and each have separate agreements with the United States which would allow for their eligibility in the Pell, College Work Study and the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Programs.

Mr. Speaker, education is a universal necessity. I think that HR 6 is testimony that this body is committed to continuing quality higher education. I urge my colleagues to support HR

CONGRATULATIONS TO SUBARU OF AMERICA ON THEIR 30TH AN-**NIVERSARY**

HON. JIM SAXTON

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 1, 1998

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate Subaru of America and its many proud, hard-working employees on thirty years in the United States.

I am especially proud that Subaru of America is headquartered in my Congressional District in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. As the only automobile company with its national headquarters based in the Delaware Valley, Subaru has an important presence in my state and local region. In addition to the 360 people employed at its Cherry Hill headquarters Subaru directly impacts more than 5.000 jobs in the LLS

Subaru's success is evident in the important milestones the company has reached just this year. Additionally, Subaru's impact on the state of New Jersey and throughout the region through its generous charitable contributions is extraordinary.

On behalf of New Jersey's Third District, on this the 30th Anniversary of Subaru of America. I wish Subaru and its employees the best in their future endeavors, and thank them for their dedication and commitment to our region.

HONORING ROBERT AND REGINA LEVY ON THEIR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 1, 1998

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to rise today to celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of Robert and Regina Levy. It gives me great pleasure to congratulate Robert and Regina on their special day.

What a remarkable accomplishment to be able to celebrate a marriage that has endured for so many years. The bond that brought them together has remained and grown over the years. May they always share the love and joy they feel today.

In an era where marriages are too often short lived, it is wonderful to see a couple who have endured the trials and tribulations that can cause a marriage to fail. The love and commitment they have demonstrated should serve as an inspiration to couples everywhere.

Mr. Speaker, what an achievement to be married for 50 years. It is an honor to represent a couple like the Levy's. I ask that my colleagues join me, their 6 children and 11 grandchildren in celebrating this joyous occasion. I am proud to call them my constituents.

IN HONOR OF PETER P. DILEONE

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 1, 1998

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker. I rise today to honor the life of Peter P. Di Leone of Shaker Heights, Ohio. Mr. Di Leone was an accomplished man, serving his community as a lawyer, a labor expert, and an advocate of free speech.

Born in Providence, Rhode Island, he was raised by a socialist father who loved to have energetic discussions at the dinner table. He attended Adelbert College, where he played half back on the football team, and then went on to law school at Western Reserve University.

As a lawyer, Mr. Di Leone specialized in labor arbitration through the National Labor Relations Board. He was among a small number of experts who were chosen as permanent arbitrators for rubber companies and the rubber workers union. His accomplishments were awarded when he was elected to the board of governors of the National Academy of Arbitra-

Along with that honor, he was known as the "Pillar of the Cleveland City Club," where he served as president. The City Club was established to encourage new ideas and a free exchange of thought through the renowned tradition of debate and discussion, pastimes that were embedded deep into his frame of mind. In 1987, he became the first person to be inducted into the City Club Hall of Fame while

Mr. Peter P. Di Leone was a great man who led a successful and accomplished life. I would like to express my deepest condolences to his daughters, Linda Klein and Paulette Novak, and the rest of his surviving family. He will truly be missed by all who knew him.

TRIBUTE TO CARL FREEMAN

HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 1, 1998

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the late philanthropist, Carl Freeman. Mr. Freeman was not only a prominent developer and real estate manager, but was also a

special friend of many charitable organizations in Maryland's 7th Congressional District. He came to prominence as a builder after World War II. when he constructed homes for veterans and their families in Takoma Park and Silver Spring. My husband and I fondly recall living in one of his apartments when we first married. The success of Carl Freeman's building projects helped him gain recognition in national magazines such as House and Home, Practical Builder, Better Homes and Gardens, and American Home and Architect Forum.

In addition to his financial success, Carl Freeman displayed a generous spirit. He sponsored a class of students through the I Have a Dream Foundation, chaired the Maryland Israel Bonds Committee, and was a supporter of the Treatment Learning Centers, United Jewish Appeal and the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington.

He was a major supporter of the Corcoran Gallery of Art. the Phillips Collection, the Montgomery County Arts, the Museum of African Art, the Washington Ballet, the Washington Opera Society, Arena Stage Round House Theater, Olney Theater and the National Symphony Orchestra. He was also chairman of the Greater Rockville Foundation of the Arts.

Mr. Freeman was founding president of the Suburban Maryland Builders Association and a member of the Montgomery County Board of Realtors. He was also director of the Montgomery General Hospital.

While we are saddened by Carl Freeman's death, we are grateful for his life. He inspired us with his dedication, warmth and friendship. For over thirty years he played leadership roles in art, health and business organizations throughout Montgomery County. The thousands of people who were affected by Carl Freeman believe that he had a true gift of generosity and faith in the human spirit. Carl Freeman has left this world a better place for our children and our children's children. I am honored to add my voice to the praises of friends, colleagues, and family who will miss

THE FIGHT AGAINST BLINDNESS

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, October 1, 1998

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I wish to pay tribute today to a group of constitutents whom I am proud to represent.

"Some people see things as they are and say 'Why?' I see things that never were and say 'Why not?' " The words of George Bernard Shaw come to mind when I think of the group of wonderful, dedicated constituents and friends whom I have had the pleasure of working with on an issue critical to millions of Americans. Carlos and Betti Lidsky, Dr. Jaime Edelstein, and Dr. Jaime Suchlicki along with the help of other dedicated volunteers of the Heart Sight Committee and the Foundation Fighting Blindness have spearheaded an effort to bring the issue of Retinal Degenerative Diseases to the attention of the American public and to raise awareness over the need to fund critical research. Their work is tireless, their dedication unwavering, and the message they bring to those who suffer with the disease is that someday soon, a cure will be found.